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[SEAL] sixty-one and of the Independ-
ence of the United States of
America the one hundred and eighty-
fifth.

JOHN F. KENNEDY

By the President:

DEAN RUSK,
Secretary of State.

**DISPLAY OF THE FLAG AT THE
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
MEMORIAL IN ARLINGTON, VIR-
GINIA**

June 12, 1961
[No. 3418]

**By the President of the United States
of America
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS the joint resolution of Con-
gress of June 22, 1942, entitled "Joint
Resolution To Codify and Emphasize Ex-
isting Rules and Customs Pertaining to
the Display and Use of the Flag of the
United States of America," as amended
by the joint resolution of December 22,
1942, 56 Stat. 1074, contains the follow-
ing provisions:

"SEC. 2. (a) It is the universal custom to
display the flag only from sunrise to sun-
set on buildings and on stationary flagstaffs
in the open. However, the flag may be dis-
played at night upon special occasions when
it is desired to produce a patriotic effect.

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"SEC. 8. Any rule or custom pertaining to
the display of the flag of the United States
of America, set forth herein, may be altered,
modified, or repealed, or additional rules with
respect thereto may be prescribed, by the
Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy
of the United States, whenever he deems it
to be appropriate or desirable; and any such
alteration or additional rule shall be set forth
in a proclamation."; and

WHEREAS the battle between the United States forces and the forces of the Japanese for possession of the island of Iwo Jima, in the North Pacific, was one of the most significant and most costly battles of World War II; and

WHEREAS victory in that battle was achieved by our forces after a heroic and prolonged struggle; and

WHEREAS the raising of the American flag during that battle over Mt. Suribachi on February 23, 1945, symbolizes the courage and valor of the American fighting forces in World War II; and

WHEREAS the United States Marine Corps Memorial in Arlington, Virginia, portrays the actual raising of the American flag on Mt. Suribachi:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN F. KENNEDY, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim that the flag of the United States of America shall hereafter be displayed at the United States Marine Corps Memorial in Arlington, Virginia, at all times during the day and night, except when the weather is inclement.

The rules and customs pertaining to the display of the flag as set forth in the joint resolution of June 22, 1942, are hereby modified accordingly.

36 USC 174.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this twelfth day of June in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and [SEAL] sixty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eighty-fifth.

JOHN F. KENNEDY

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